

Financial assistance to Sanskriti School

†2929. SHRI AJAY MAROO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have recently sanctioned financial assistance of Rs. 9 crores for Sanskriti School situated in Delhi;

(b) whether any kind of financial assistance had been given to this school in the past also, either in the form of cash or in any other manner;

(c) whether only children of officers of All India Services and Central Services are given admission in the Sanskriti School; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and if not, the number of children of Central services officers and the number of children of officers of other categories in the school?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) Yes, Sir. The Government sanctioned Rs. 9 crores as financial assistance to the Sanskriti School in May, 2006 out of which Rs. 6 crores has been released so far.

(b) The various Ministries/Departments of Government which released grants-in-aid to Sanskriti Schools are as follows:—

	(Rs. in lakhs)
(i) Ministry of Finance	300.00
(ii) Ministry of Defence	500.00
(iii) Ministry of Human Resource Development	500.00
(iv) Railways	20.00
(v) Ministry of Pers., PG & Pensions	600.00
(vi) Ministry of Environment and Forest	1.50
TOTAL:	1921.50

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.

(c) Admission to the school is undertaken as per the following norms in respect of the wards of—

(i)	Government Servant	:	60%
(ii)	Weaker Section	:	20%
(iii)	Others	:	20%

(d) Category-wise the number of students as on 26th April, 2007 is as follows in respect of the wards of—

(i)	Government Servant	:	1236
(ii)	Weaker Section	:	97
(iii)	Staff	:	78
(iv)	General	:	902
TOTAL:			2313

Impact of budgetary support on education

2930. SHRIMATI SUPRIYA SULE: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether his Ministry has pointed that reduction in Central budgetary support on education will adversely affect the gains made by Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA) to universalize elementary education;

(b) if so, whether his Ministry has demanded that the current level of Centre's fiscal commitment of 75 per cent of required funds;

(c) if so, to what extent Government have agreed to provide more funds for the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan;

(d) to what extent it will be helpful; and

(e) whether Government would continue with 75:25 funding pattern?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI MD. ALI ASHRAF FATMI): (a) to (e) As per the approved Centrally sponsored scheme of the Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan (SSA), the funding pattern between the Centre and State Governments in 11th Plan is laid down in the ratio of 50:50. The State Governments have requested Government of India to have a 75:25 sharing pattern for the XIth Plan period, while North Eastern States have requested for a 90:10 ratio.